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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Commissioner:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants request an extension of time of two months to and including March 28, 2003 in which to file their response to the Office Action dated October 28, 2002. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, the extension fee is \$205.00. The Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/UTXC:664.

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